

# An explicit duality for quasi-homogeneous ideals

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## Abstract

Given  $r \geq n$  quasi-homogeneous polynomials in  $n$  variables, the existence of a certain duality is shown and explicitated in terms of generalized Morley forms. This result, that can be seen as a generalization of [3, corollary 3.6.1.4] (where this duality is proved in the case  $r = n$ ), was observed by the author at the same time. We will actually closely follow the proof of (loc. cit.) in this paper.

## 1 Notations

Let  $k$  be a non-zero unitary commutative ring. Suppose given an integer  $n \geq 1$ , a sequence  $(m_1, \dots, m_n)$  of positive integers and consider the polynomial  $k$ -algebra  $C := k[X_1, \dots, X_n]$  which is graded by setting

$$\deg(X_i) := m_i \text{ for all } i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \text{ and } \deg(u) = 0 \text{ for all } u \in k. \quad (1)$$

We will suppose moreover given an integer  $r \geq n$ , a sequence  $(d_1, \dots, d_r)$  of positive integers and, for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, r\}$ , a (quasi-)homogeneous polynomial of degree  $d_i$

$$f_i(X_1, \dots, X_n) := \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \geq 0 \\ \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i m_i = d_i}} u_{i,\alpha} X_1^{\alpha_1} \dots X_n^{\alpha_n} \in k[X_1, \dots, X_n]_{d_i}.$$

In the sequel, we denote by  $I$  the ideal of  $C$  generated by the polynomials  $f_1, \dots, f_r$ , by  $\mathfrak{m}$  the ideal of  $C$  generated by the variables  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  and by  $B$  the quotient  $C/I$ . We also set  $\delta := \sum_{i=1}^r d_i - \sum_{i=1}^n m_i$ .

## 2 The transgression map

Consider the Koszul complex  $K^\bullet(f_1, \dots, f_r; C)$ , which is a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded complex of  $C$ -modules, associated to the sequence  $(f_1, \dots, f_r)$  of elements in  $C$ . It is of the

form

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
0 & \longrightarrow & C(-\sum_{i=1}^r d_i) & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
& & \parallel & & & & \\
& & K^{-r} & & & & \\
& & & & \parallel & & \\
& & & & K^{-1} & & \\
& & & & & & \\
& & & & & & \\
& & & & \parallel & & \\
& & & & K^0 & & 
\end{array}$$

where, more precisely,  $K^{-i} := \bigwedge^i(K^{-1}) = \bigoplus_{J \subset \{1, \dots, r\}, |J|=i} C(-\sum_{j \in J} d_j)$ . It gives rise to two classical spectral sequences

$$\begin{cases} {}'_1 E^{pq} & := H_{\mathfrak{m}}^q(K^p) \Rightarrow H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{p+q}(K^{\bullet}) \\ {}'_2 E^{pq} & := H_{\mathfrak{m}}^p(H^q(K^{\bullet})) \Rightarrow H_{\mathfrak{m}}^{p+q}(K^{\bullet}). \end{cases}$$

Since  $H_{\mathfrak{m}}^i(C) = 0$  if  $i \neq n$ , the first spectral sequence shows that, for all  $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $H_{\mathfrak{m}}^p(K^{\bullet})$  is the cohomology module  $H^{-n+p}(H_{\mathfrak{m}}^n(K^{\bullet}))$ . Then, the second spectral sequence gives a transgression map, for all  $p \in \{0, \dots, r-n\}$ ,

$$H^{-n-p}(H_{\mathfrak{m}}^n(K^{\bullet})) \rightarrow H_{\mathfrak{m}}^0(H^{-p}(K^{\bullet})). \quad (2)$$

In particular, taking  $p = r - n$  and using the equality

$$H^{-r}(H_{\mathfrak{m}}^n(K^{\bullet})) \simeq H^0(f_1, \dots, f_r; H_{\mathfrak{m}}^n(C))(-\sum_{i=1}^r d_i),$$

we get the transgression map

$$\tau : H^0(f_1, \dots, f_r; H_{\mathfrak{m}}^n(C))(-\sum_{i=1}^r d_i) \rightarrow H_{\mathfrak{m}}^0(H_{r-n}(K_{\bullet}))$$

(note that we now use the more usual homological notation for the Koszul complex:  $K_p = K^{-p}$  and  $H_p(K_{\bullet}) = H^{-p}(K^{\bullet})$  for all  $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ ) which is particularly interesting because of the

**Proposition 1** *If  $\text{depth}_I(C) = n$  then  $\tau$  is an isomorphism.*

*Proof.* If  $\text{depth}_I(C) = n$  then  $H_i(K_{\bullet}) = 0$  for all  $i > r - n$ , and then the comparison of the two spectral sequences above shows immediately that  $\tau$  is an isomorphism.  $\square$

**Remark 2** *Observe that  $\text{depth}_I(C) = n$  if and only if  $\text{depth}_I(C) \geq n$  since  $I \subset \mathfrak{m}$  and  $\text{depth}_{\mathfrak{m}}(C) = n$ .*

We will denote, for all  $\nu \in \mathbb{Z}$ , by  $\tau_{\nu}$  the homogeneous component of degree  $\nu$  of  $\tau$ . Recall that, for all  $\nu \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have a canonical perfect pairing between free  $k$ -modules of finite type

$$C_{\nu} \otimes_k H_{\mathfrak{m}}^n(C)_{-\nu - \sum_{i=1}^r m_i} \rightarrow H_{\mathfrak{m}}^n(C)_{-\sum_{i=1}^r m_i} \simeq k. \quad (3)$$

It follows that

$$H^0(f_1, \dots, f_r; H_{\mathfrak{m}}^n(C))(-\sum_{i=1}^r d_i)_{\nu} \simeq \text{Hom}_k(B_{\delta-\nu}, k) =: \check{B}_{\delta-\nu}$$

( $\check{\phantom{x}}$  stands for the dual over  $k$ ) which allows to identify  $\tau_\nu$  with the  $k$ -modules morphism

$$\hat{\tau}_\nu : \check{B}_{\delta-\nu} \rightarrow H_{\mathfrak{m}}^0(H_{r-n}(K_\bullet))_\nu.$$

Observe that the direct sum  $\bigoplus_{\nu \in \mathbb{Z}} \check{B}_{\delta-\nu}$  has a natural structure of  $B$ -module and so the  $k$ -linear map

$$\hat{\tau} := \bigoplus_{\nu \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{\tau}_\nu : \bigoplus_{\nu \in \mathbb{Z}} \check{B}_{\delta-\nu} \rightarrow H_{\mathfrak{m}}^0(H_{r-n}(K_\bullet))$$

is a morphism of graded  $B$ -modules. It is clear that  $\hat{\tau}$  is an isomorphism if  $\tau$  is itself an isomorphism, and for instance if  $\text{depth}_I(C) \geq n$  by proposition 1. In the rest of this note we will give an explicit description of the map  $\hat{\tau}$  in this case.

### 3 Generalized Morley forms

Introducing new indeterminates  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$ , we identify the ring  $C \otimes_k C$  with the polynomial ring  $k[\underline{X}, \underline{Y}]$  (we shortcut sequences: for instance  $\underline{X}$  stands for the sequence  $(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ ) which is canonically graded via the tensor product:  $\deg(X_i) = \deg(Y_i) = m_i$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, r$ .

In  $C \otimes_k C$ , for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, r\}$  we choose a decomposition

$$\begin{aligned} f_i(X_1, \dots, X_n) - f_i(Y_1, \dots, Y_n) &= f_i \otimes_k 1 - 1 \otimes_k f_i \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n (X_j - Y_j) g_{i,j}(X_1, \dots, X_n, Y_1, \dots, Y_n). \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

Let  $e_1, \dots, e_r$  be the canonical basis of  $\bigoplus_{i=1}^r C \otimes_k C(-d_i)$  with  $\deg(e_i) = d_i$  for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, r\}$  and consider

$$\Delta := \sum_{\substack{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_r \text{ such that} \\ \sigma(1) < \dots < \sigma(n), \\ \sigma(n+1) < \dots < \sigma(r)}} \epsilon(\sigma) \begin{vmatrix} g_{\sigma(1),1} & g_{\sigma(1),2} & \cdots & g_{\sigma(1),n} \\ g_{\sigma(2),1} & g_{\sigma(2),2} & \cdots & g_{\sigma(2),n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ g_{\sigma(n),1} & g_{\sigma(n),2} & \cdots & g_{\sigma(n),n} \end{vmatrix} e_{\sigma(n+1)} \wedge \cdots \wedge e_{\sigma(r)}$$

where  $\mathfrak{S}_r$  denotes the set of all the permutations of  $r$  elements and  $\epsilon(\sigma)$  the signature of such a permutation  $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_r$ .

**Lemma 3 ([1, 2.14.2])** *The element  $\Delta$  is a cycle of the Koszul complex associated to the sequence  $(f_1 \otimes_k 1 - 1 \otimes_k f_1, \dots, f_r \otimes_k 1 - 1 \otimes_k f_r)$  in  $C \otimes_k C$ .*

We denote by  $\Delta^\flat$  the class of  $\Delta$  in the homology group

$$H_{r-n}(f_1(\underline{X}) - f_1(\underline{Y}), \dots, f_r(\underline{X}) - f_r(\underline{Y}); C \otimes_k C)_\delta.$$

Note that, as a consequence of the so-called Wiebe lemma (see for instance [2, 3.8.1.7]),  $\Delta^\flat$  does not depend on the choice of the decompositions (4) since the sequence  $(X_1 - Y_1, \dots, X_n - Y_n)$  is regular in  $C \otimes_k C$ .

**Lemma 4** *For all  $P \in C$  we have  $(P \otimes_k 1 - 1 \otimes_k P)\Delta^\flat = 0$ , or in other words  $P(\underline{X})\Delta^\flat = P(\underline{Y})\Delta^\flat$ .*

*Proof.* First, it is clear that for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$  we have  $(X_i - Y_i)\Delta^\flat = 0$ . Indeed, each determinant fitting in the definition of  $\Delta$  becomes an element of the ideal generated by the polynomials  $f_j(\underline{X}) - f_j(\underline{Y})$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, r$ , after multiplication by  $(X_i - Y_i)$ . The proof then follows from the equality

$$P(\underline{X}) - P(\underline{Y}) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(Y_1, \dots, Y_{i-1}, X_i, \dots, X_n) - P(Y_1, \dots, Y_i, X_{i+1}, \dots, X_n)$$

where each term in the above sum is divisible by at least one of the elements  $(X_i - Y_i)$ ,  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .  $\square$

The canonical projection  $C \otimes_k C \rightarrow C \otimes_k B$  induces a map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_{r-n}(f_1 \otimes_k 1 - 1 \otimes_k f_1, \dots, f_r \otimes_k 1 - 1 \otimes_k f_r; C \otimes_k C) & & (5) \\ \downarrow & & \\ H_{r-n}(f_1 \otimes_k 1, \dots, f_r \otimes_k 1; C \otimes_k B) & & \end{array}$$

(note that  $1 \otimes_k f_i = 0$  in  $C \otimes_k B$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, r$ ) which sends  $\Delta^\flat$  to an element, that we will denote  $\nabla$ , of degree  $\delta$  in  $H_{r-n}(f_1 \otimes_k 1, \dots, f_r \otimes_k 1; C \otimes_k B)$ .

Observe that, for all  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$  the  $C$ -module  $H_{r-n}(f_1 \otimes_k 1, \dots, f_r \otimes_k 1; C \otimes_k B_q)$  is  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded via the grading of  $C$ , so we deduce that the  $B \otimes_k B$ -module  $H_{r-n}(f_1 \otimes_k 1, \dots, f_r \otimes_k 1; C \otimes_k B)$  is bi-graded; for all  $p, q \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$  we have

$$H_{r-n}(f_1 \otimes_k 1, \dots, f_r \otimes_k 1; C \otimes_k B)_{p,q} := H_{r-n}(f_1 \otimes_k 1, \dots, f_r \otimes_k 1; C \otimes_k B_q)_p.$$

We can thus decompose  $\nabla$  with respect to this bi-graduation and we define  $\nabla = \sum_{(p,q) \in \mathbb{Z}^2} \nabla_{p,q}$  with

$$\nabla_{p,q} \in H_{r-n}(f_1 \otimes_k 1, \dots, f_r \otimes_k 1; C \otimes_k B_q)_p.$$

**Lemma 5** *For all couple  $(p, q) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  we have*

$$\nabla_{p,q} \in H_{\mathfrak{m} \otimes_k B + B \otimes_k \mathfrak{m}}^0(H_{r-n}(f_1 \otimes_k 1, \dots, f_r \otimes_k 1; C \otimes_k B))_{p,q}.$$

*Proof.* This lemma follows from lemma 4; for all  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  we have the equality  $(X_j \otimes_k 1 - 1 \otimes_k X_j)\nabla = 0$  which gives, by looking at the homogeneous components,

$$(X_j \otimes_k 1)\nabla_{p,q} = (1 \otimes_k X_j)\nabla_{p+1,q-1}$$

for all  $(p, q) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  such that  $p + q = \delta$ . By successive iterations we obtain

$$(X_j \otimes_k 1)^{q+1}\nabla_{p,q} = (1 \otimes_k X_j)^{q+1}\nabla_{p+q-1,-1} = 0$$

which shows that  $(\mathfrak{m} \otimes_k B)^{nq+1}\nabla_{p,q} = 0$ . Exactly in the same way we obtain  $(B \otimes_k \mathfrak{m})^{np+1}\nabla_{p,q} = 0$ .  $\square$

Finally, let us emphasize that  $\nabla_{\delta,0}$  has a simple description. For all  $i \in \{1, \dots, r\}$  we choose a decomposition

$$f_i(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \sum_{j=1}^n X_j f_{i,j}(X_1, \dots, X_n) \in C \quad (6)$$

and similarly to what we did above, we consider

$$\Lambda := \sum_{\substack{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_r \text{ such that} \\ \sigma(1) < \dots < \sigma(n), \\ \sigma(n+1) < \dots < \sigma(r)}} \epsilon(\sigma) \left| \begin{array}{cccc} f_{\sigma(1),1} & f_{\sigma(1),2} & \cdots & f_{\sigma(1),n} \\ f_{\sigma(2),1} & f_{\sigma(2),2} & \cdots & f_{\sigma(2),n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ f_{\sigma(n),1} & f_{\sigma(n),2} & \cdots & f_{\sigma(n),n} \end{array} \right| e_{\sigma(n+1)} \wedge \cdots \wedge e_{\sigma(r)}.$$

It is, as  $\Delta$ , a cycle of the Koszul complex  $K_\bullet(f_1, \dots, f_r; C)$ . We denote  $\bar{\Lambda}$  its class in  $H_{r-n}(K_\bullet(f_1, \dots, f_r; C))_\delta$ , class which is independent, by the Wiebe lemma, of the choice of the decompositions (6) since the sequence  $(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  is regular in  $C$ .

**Lemma 6** *We have  $\nabla_{\delta,0} = \bar{\Lambda}$  in  $H_{r-n}(K_\bullet(f_1, \dots, f_r; C))_\delta$ .*

*Proof.* Indeed,  $\nabla_{\delta,0}$  is the image of  $\nabla^\flat$  via the map

$$C \otimes_k C = k[\underline{X}, \underline{Y}] \rightarrow C = k[\underline{X}] : P(\underline{X}, \underline{Y}) \mapsto P(\underline{X}, 0)$$

and this shows immediately the claimed equality.  $\square$

## 4 The explicit duality

Suppose given  $\nu \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $u \in \check{B}_{\delta-\nu} = \text{Hom}_k(B_{\delta-\nu}, k)$ . The canonical morphism  $\text{id}_C \otimes_k u : C \otimes_k B_{\delta-\nu} \rightarrow C \otimes_k k \simeq C$  induces a map

$$H_{r-n}(f_1, \dots, f_r; C \otimes_k B_{\delta-\nu})_\nu \xrightarrow{H_{r-n}(f_1, \dots, f_r; \text{id}_C \otimes_k u)} H_{r-n}(f_1, \dots, f_r; C)_\nu$$

which sends  $\nabla_{\nu, \delta-\nu}$  to an element that we will denote  $\nabla_{\nu, \delta-\nu}^{(u)}$ . Therefore, to any  $u \in \check{B}_{\delta-\nu}$  we can associate an element in  $H_{r-n}(f_1, \dots, f_r; C)_\nu$ . Denoting  $D_k^{\text{gr}}(B)$  the graded  $B$ -module of graded morphisms from  $B$  to  $k$ , that is to say

$$D_k^{\text{gr}}(B) := \text{Hom}_k^{\text{gr}}(B, k) = \bigoplus_{\nu \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{Hom}_k(B, k)_\nu = \bigoplus_{\nu \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{Hom}_k(B_{-\nu}, k) = \bigoplus_{\nu \in \mathbb{Z}} \check{B}_{-\nu}$$

we obtain a map

$$\omega : D_k^{\text{gr}}(B)(-\delta) \rightarrow H_{r-n}(f_1, \dots, f_r; C) \tag{7}$$

and we have the

**Proposition 7** *The map  $\omega$  is a graded morphism (i.e. of degree 0) of graded  $B$ -modules whose image is contained in  $H_{\mathfrak{m}}^0(H_{r-n}(f_1, \dots, f_r; C))$ .*

*Proof.* Let us choose a couple  $(q, \nu) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  and pick up  $b \in B_q$  and  $u \in D_k^{\text{gr}}(B)(-\delta)_\nu = \check{B}_{\delta-\nu}$ . To prove the  $B$ -linearity of  $\omega$  we have to prove that  $\omega(bu) = b\omega(u)$ .

On the one hand,  $bu \in \check{B}_{\delta-\nu-q}$  so  $\omega(bu) \in H_{r-n}(\underline{f}; C)_{\nu+q}$  is, by definition, the image of  $\nabla_{\nu+q, \delta-\nu-q}$  by the map

$$H_{r-n}(\underline{f}; C \otimes_k B_{\delta-\nu-q})_{\nu+q} \rightarrow H_{r-n}(\underline{f}; C)_{\nu+q}$$

induced by  $C \otimes_k B_{\delta-\nu-q} \rightarrow C : c \otimes_k x \mapsto cu(bx)$ , which is also the image of  $(1 \otimes_k b)\nabla_{\nu+q, \delta-\nu-q} \in H_{r-n}(\underline{f}; C \otimes_k B_{\delta-\nu})_{\nu+q}$  by the map

$$H_{r-n}(\underline{f}; C \otimes_k B_{\delta-\nu})_{\nu+q} \rightarrow H_{r-n}(\underline{f}; C)_{\nu+q}$$

induced by  $C \otimes_k B_{\delta-\nu} \rightarrow C : c \otimes_k y \mapsto cu(y)$ .

On the other hand,  $b\omega(u)$  is the image of  $\nabla_{\nu, \delta-\nu}$  by the map

$$H_{r-n}(\underline{f}; C \otimes_k B_{\delta-\nu})_{\nu} \rightarrow H_{r-n}(\underline{f}; C)_{\nu}$$

induced by  $C \otimes_k B_{\delta-\nu} \rightarrow C : c \otimes_k x \mapsto c_1 cu(x)$  where  $c_1 \in C$  is such that  $c_1 = b$  in  $B = C/I$ . It follows that  $b\omega(u)$  is the image of  $(b \otimes_k 1)\nabla_{\nu, \delta-\nu}$  by the map

$$H_{r-n}(\underline{f}; C \otimes_k B_{\delta-\nu})_{\nu+q} \rightarrow H_{r-n}(\underline{f}; C)_{\nu+q}$$

induced by  $C \otimes_k B_{\delta-\nu} \rightarrow C : c \otimes_k x \mapsto cu(x)$ .

Now, by lemma 4, we know that  $(1 \otimes_k b - b \otimes_k 1)\nabla = 0$  which implies, looking at the homogeneous component of degree  $(\nu + q, \delta - \nu)$ , that

$$b\omega(u) = (b \otimes_k 1)\nabla_{\nu, \delta-\nu} = (1 \otimes_k b)\nabla_{\nu+q, \delta-\nu-q} = \omega(bu).$$

Finally, we have  $D_k^{\text{gr}}(B)(-\delta)_{\nu} = 0$  for all  $\nu > \delta$  so the  $B$ -linearity of  $\omega$  implies that  $B_q \text{Im}(\omega) = 0$  for all sufficiently large integer  $q$ , which is equivalent to  $\mathfrak{m}^p \text{Im}(\omega) = 0$  in  $H_{r-n}(\underline{f}; C)$  for all sufficiently large integer  $p$ .  $\square$

According to the above proposition 7, and abusing notation, from now on we will assume that  $\omega$  denotes the map (7) co-restricted to  $H_{\mathfrak{m}}^0(H_{r-n}(f_1, \dots, f_r; C))$ . We also define  $\omega_{\nu}$  as the graded component of degree  $\nu$  of  $\omega$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_{\nu} : D_k^{\text{gr}}(B)(-\delta)_{\nu} = \check{B}_{\delta-\nu} &\rightarrow H_{\mathfrak{m}}^0(H_{r-n}(f_1, \dots, f_r; C))_{\nu} \\ u &\mapsto \nabla_{\nu, \delta-\nu}^{(u)}. \end{aligned}$$

We are now ready to state the main result of this note.

**Theorem 8** *If  $\text{depth}_I(C) = n$  then  $\hat{\tau} = \omega$ .*

*Proof.* We will prove that  $\hat{\tau}_{\nu} = \omega_{\nu}$  for all  $\nu \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Recall that under the hypothesis  $\text{depth}_I(C) \geq n$  the map  $\tau$ , and hence  $\hat{\tau}$ , become an isomorphism.

First, since  $H_{r-n}(f_1, \dots, f_r; C)$  is a sub-quotient of

$$\bigwedge^{r-n} \left( \bigoplus_{i=1}^r C(-d_i) \right) = \bigoplus_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_{r-n} \leq r} C(-d_{i_1} - d_{i_2} - \dots - d_{i_{r-n}}),$$

we deduce that  $H_{r-n}(f_1, \dots, f_r; C)_{\nu} = 0$  for all  $\nu < 0$  (note that the extreme case is obtained when  $r = n$ ). It follows that  $\omega_{\nu}$  and  $\hat{\tau}_{\nu}$  are both the zero map if  $\nu < 0$ .

If  $\nu > \delta$  then  $H_{\mathfrak{m}}^0(C)(-\sum_{i=1}^r d_i)_{\nu} = 0$ . Since by hypothesis,  $\hat{\tau}$  is an isomorphism we deduce that

$$H_{\mathfrak{m}}^0(H_{r-n}(f_1, \dots, f_r; C))_{\nu} = 0$$

and hence that  $\omega_{\nu}$  and  $\hat{\tau}_{\nu}$  are again both the zero map.

We now prove that  $\omega_\delta = \hat{\tau}_\delta$ . By definition,

$$\omega_\delta : \check{B}_0 \simeq k \rightarrow H_{\mathfrak{m}}^0(H_{r-n}(f; C))_\delta$$

sends any  $\lambda \in k$  to  $\lambda \nabla_{\delta,0} = \lambda \bar{\Lambda}$  (see lemma 6), so it is completely determined by the formula  $\omega_\delta(1) = \bar{\Lambda}$ . To explicit the map  $\hat{\tau}_\nu$  we will use the functoriality property of  $\tau$  (and hence of  $\hat{\tau}$ ); in this order, we will specify the sequence  $\underline{f} := (f_1, \dots, f_r)$  or  $\underline{X} := (X_1, \dots, X_n)$  in  $C$  under consideration with the obvious notation  $\tau(\underline{f})$  or  $\tau(\underline{X})$ . The decomposition (6) gives a graded morphism of  $C$ -modules (recall  $r \geq n$ )

$$\oplus_{i=1}^r C(-d_i) \xrightarrow{M} \oplus_{i=1}^n C(-m_i)$$

which can be lifted to a graded morphism of complexes

$$K_\bullet(f_1, \dots, f_r; C) \xrightarrow{\wedge^{\bullet} M} K_\bullet(X_1, \dots, X_n; C).$$

Note that  $\wedge^p(M)$  is the zero map for all  $p > n$ . Using the self-duality property of the Koszul complexes, we obtain by duality a graded morphism of graded complexes

$$K(X_1, \dots, X_n; C)(-\delta) \rightarrow K(f_1, \dots, f_r; C)$$

which is of the form, denoting  $K_1 := \oplus_{i=1}^r C(-d_i)$ ,

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc} C(-\sum_{i=1}^r d_i) & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \xrightarrow{X} & C(-\delta) & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ \downarrow \text{id} & & & & \downarrow \text{"}\Lambda\text{"} & & \downarrow 0 & & & & \downarrow 0 \\ C(-\sum_{i=1}^r d_i) & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow & \wedge^{r-n} K_1 & \longrightarrow & \wedge^{r-n-1} K_1 & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \xrightarrow{f} & C \end{array}$$

By functoriality of the transgression map  $\tau$  for morphisms of complexes, we obtain the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H^0(X_1, \dots, X_n; H_{\mathfrak{m}}^n(C))(-\sum_{i=1}^r d_i) & \xrightarrow{\tau(\underline{X})(-\delta)} & H_{\mathfrak{m}}^0(C/\mathfrak{m})(-\delta) = k(-\delta) \\ \downarrow \text{id} & & \downarrow 1 \mapsto \Lambda \\ H^0(f_1, \dots, f_r; H_{\mathfrak{m}}^n(C))(-\sum_{i=1}^r d_i) & \xrightarrow{\tau(\underline{f})} & H_{\mathfrak{m}}^0(H_{r-n}(f_1, \dots, f_r; C)) \end{array}$$

which yields in degree  $\delta$  the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} k = H_{\mathfrak{m}}^n(C)_{-\sum_{i=1}^n m_i} & \xrightarrow{\hat{\tau}_0(\underline{X})} & k \\ \downarrow \text{id} & & \downarrow 1 \mapsto \Lambda \\ k = H_{\mathfrak{m}}^n(C)_{-\sum_{i=1}^n m_i} & \xrightarrow{\hat{\tau}_\delta(\underline{f})} & H_{\mathfrak{m}}^0(H_{r-n}(f_1, \dots, f_r; C))_\delta \end{array}$$

Since the map  $\hat{\tau}_0(\underline{X})$  is the identity [2, 2.6.4.6], we deduce that for all  $\lambda \in k$  we have

$$\hat{\tau}_\delta(\underline{f})(\lambda) = \lambda \bar{\Lambda} \in H_{\mathfrak{m}}^0(H_{r-n}(f_1, \dots, f_r; C))_\delta$$

and hence that  $\hat{\tau}_\delta = \omega_\delta$ .

Finally, assume that  $0 \leq \nu < \delta$ . By  $B$ -linearity of  $\hat{\tau}$  and  $\omega$  (see proposition 7), for all  $u \in D_k^{\text{gr}}(B)(-\delta)_\nu = \check{B}_{\delta-\nu}$  and for all  $b \in B_{\delta-\nu}$  we have

$$b(\hat{\tau}_\nu(u) - \omega_\nu(u)) = \hat{\tau}_\delta(bu) - \omega_\delta(bu) = 0 \in H_{\mathfrak{m}}^0(H_{r-n}(f_1, \dots, f_r; C))_\delta$$

with  $\hat{\tau}_\nu(u) - \omega_\nu(u) \in H_{\mathfrak{m}}^0(H_{r-n}(f_1, \dots, f_r; C))_\nu$ . Since  $H_{r-n}(\underline{f}; C)$  is a  $B$ -module, we have, for all  $\nu \in \mathbb{Z}$  a canonical  $k$ -linear pairing

$$B_{\delta-\nu} \otimes_k H_{r-n}(\underline{f}; C)_\nu \rightarrow H_{r-n}(\underline{f}; C)_\delta.$$

By hypothesis,  $\tau$  is an isomorphism and therefore we have the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B_{\delta-\nu} \otimes_k H^0(\underline{f}; H_{\mathfrak{m}}^n(C))_{\nu - \sum_{i=1}^r d_i} & \longrightarrow & H^0(\underline{f}; H_{\mathfrak{m}}^n(C))_{-\sum_{i=1}^n m_i} \\ \downarrow \text{id} \otimes_k \tau_\nu & & \downarrow \text{id} \otimes_k \tau_\delta \\ B_{\delta-\nu} \otimes_k H_{\mathfrak{m}}^0(H_{r-n}(\underline{f}; C))_\nu & \longrightarrow & H_{\mathfrak{m}}^0(H_{r-n}(\underline{f}; C))_\delta \end{array}$$

where both vertical arrows are isomorphisms. Now, the top row being a non-degenerated pairing by (3), we deduce that the bottom row is also a non-degenerated pairing and hence that  $\hat{\tau}_\nu = \omega_\nu$ , as claimed.  $\square$

**Corollary 9** *If  $\text{depth}_I(C) = n$  then  $\omega$  is an isomorphism of  $B$ -modules.*

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